

Behavioral Support Services

Service Definition (Scope):

Behavioral Support Services means training, supervision, or assistance in appropriate expression of emotions and desires, compliance, assertiveness, acquisition of socially appropriate behaviors, and the reduction of inappropriate behaviors.

Reimbursable Activities:

- Observation of the individual and environment for purposes of development of a plan and to determine a baseline
- Development of a behavioral support plan and subsequent revisions
- Obtain consensus of the Individualized Support Team (IST) that the behavioral support plan is feasible for implementation.
- Training in assertiveness
- Training in stress reduction techniques
- Training in the acquisition of socially accepted behaviors
- Training staff, family members, roommates, and other appropriate individuals on the implementation of the behavioral support plan
- Consultation with IST members

Activities Not Allowed:

- Aversive techniques - Any techniques not approved by the individual's IST and the provider's human rights committee.
- Therapy services furnished to the participant within the educational/school setting or as a component of the participant's school day.
- Services furnished to a minor by a parent(s), step-parent(s), or legal guardian.
- Services furnished to a participant by the participant's spouse.
- In the event that a Level 1 clinician performs Level 2 clinician activities, billing for Level 1 services is not allowed. In this situation, billing for Level 2 services only is allowed.
- Simultaneous receipt of facility-based support services or other Medicaid-billable services and intensive behavior supports.
- Individuals may not receive Behavioral Support Services concurrently with Intensive Residential Supports-Behavioral

Provider Specifications:

Individual - FSSA/DDRS Approved BSS Individuals

- Enrolled as an active Medicaid provider
- Must be FSSA/DDRS-approved
- Must comply with Indiana Administrative Code, 460 IAC 6
- Must comply with any applicable FSSA/BDDS service standards, guidelines, policies and/or manuals, including FSSA/DDRS Waiver Manual and FSSA/DDRS BDDS Policy Manual.

Agency - FSSA/DDRS Approved BDDS Agencies

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Documentation Standards:

- Services outlined in the Individualized Support Plan (ISP)
- Documentation in compliance with 460 IAC 6 Supported Living Services and Supports requirements.